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Marginal Column

By "OBSERVATOR"

WE know less than we should about the composition of the Soviet Communist party and its leading institutions: the recent party conference brought some, but not much, new information. In former conferences, statistics were published as to the background of party members and delegates (class origin, education, length of party membership, etc.). These figures were used by the critics of the Soviet regime to demonstrate that workers and peasants had become a minority in the party, and especially in its leading institutions, and that their place had been taken by a new elite, called by some the ruling class, by others a "caste," or a bureaucracy. The Soviet leaders did not like these interpretations at all and discontinued the publication of the statistics. It is a pity, from the point of view of the foreign observer.

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THE recent party conference did, however, elect a new Central Committee of 125 members and 110 alternates. Compared with the Central Committee elected by the penultimate party conference, it appears that about 30 of the 71 old members have been re-elected. The percentage of the re-elected among the alternates is considerably lower: only about a dozen of the 1939 alternates have been re-elected including those promoted meanwhile to full members. The others who have died or been excluded for one reason or other, have disappeared from the political scene. However, it is continuity rather than change which strikes the observer: the 13 years which have passed since 1939 have been an eventful period in history books go, and the turnover of party leaders, ministers, generals and police chiefs in the Western countries has probably been at least as high as in Russia. Let us mention that of the 149 odd members and alternates elected in Moscow in 1934, only 26 remained in 1939, the rest having disappeared during the big purges. This makes the difference even more striking: the ruling circles in the Soviet Union have undoubtedly crystallized and achieved a relatively high measure of internal stability, temporary as it may be, at least as far as the upper hundreds are concerned.

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THE elected, apart from the central party leaders such as Stalin, Molotov, Malenkov, et al, might be subdivided into four groups. First come the party bosses from the provinces, one from every Soviet republic, and two or three from the bigger ones. Then there are a number of high state employees, specialists for economic affairs, and, for the first time, a fairly large group of Soviet diplomats and foreign affairs experts. (There were only two of them in the last Central Committee). The third group consists of representatives of the army and the political police, and it has grown even more: it contains almost all the well-known names of the army high command and the chiefs of the M.V.D. The last group has always been somewhat unkindly treated, and it is the smallest this time too: it comprises the party "ideologists" such as Pospyelov, Mitin and Yudin, and a number of writers: Fadeyev, Simonov and Korneichuk, one of our favourites in Soviet literature. There are four Jews in the new Central Committee: Kaganovitch, Mitin and Mehlis as full members, and one alternate, David Raizer. (There were a dozen in the 1939 C.C.). There are four or five women among the members and alternates or about as many as in the smaller C.C. in 1939.

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HOWEVER, not the C.C. but the Presidium and the party secretariat, which were elected on Friday, are *de facto* the decisive authorities in Soviet politics. Noteworthy among the new members are Mihail Suslov, specialist in Soviet ideology and propaganda as well as Comintern affairs, and Pospyelovsky, one of the central organizers. A number of local party chiefs, such as Aristov (Siberia) Ignatiev (Kuban) Brezhnev (Moldavia) and Kyrpichenko (Ukraine), have also been transferred to central positions in Moscow, and will now assume important functions in the Kremlin together with the old Politburo guard and such captains of national economy as Pervyi, Tevosian, Saburov et al. Prof. Chesnokov, editor of the Soviet periodical "Problems of Philosophy," may feel himself somewhat lonely among all these eminently practical men.

Jerusalem, October 18.

U.N. Urged to Summon Arabs to Peace Table

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — Addressing the United Jewish Appeal conference here today, Ambassador Abba Eban called on the U.N. to summon the Arab states to peace talks with Israel.

He said that four years of Arab refusal to negotiate "is equivalent to the refusal of peace." He said the U.N. could contribute powerfully to peace in the Middle East "by summoning the Arab states to free and direct negotiations" with Israel.

"In all the history of international relations, nobody has ever secured a peace settlement by telepathy or remote control," Mr. Eban said. He believed a turning point in Arab-Israel relations "might even now be near" if it were not for tensions "irresponsibly renewed" at each annual meeting of the United Nations.

By Jesse Zel Lurie,
POST Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Saturday. — More than half of the United Jewish Appeal's year-end $35m. cash collection drive will be presented tomorrow at the closing session of the National Leadership Conference. The parade of cash will be marshalled by Mr. George Jessel.

The 1952 total will be more than $40m. tomorrow and certainly more than $70m. by the end of the year.

The Conference opened last night with addresses by Ambassador Abba Eban, Mr. Haim Cohen, Israel Minister of Justice, and Mr. Edward M. Warburg, Chairman of the U.J.A.

Mr. Eban previewed his U.N. address by urging that international body to summon the Arabs to peace negotiations.

Mr. Cohen, in simple words, surveyed Israel's legal heritage, the present code and the unwritten Constitution. He asserted that the development was not towards theocracy, despite inspirational debt to Rabbinical Law.

Mr. Warburg said that the U.J.A. in 1952 aided 321,000 persons in 31 countries.

Riley Meets Makleff; Gaon Succeeds Ramati

Major-General William Riley, U.N. Chief of Staff, and his advisor, M. Henri Vigier met with the Deputy Chief of Staff, Aluf M. Makleff, on Friday, an Army spokesman announced yesterday. After the meeting the General was the guest of Aluf Makleff for lunch. They were joined by Dr. Walter Eytan, Director of the Foreign Ministry.

Sgan-Aluf Haim Gaon has been appointed Senior Delegate to the Mixed Armistice Commissions, in succession to Sgan-Aluf Shaul Ramati, the spokesman announced. Sgan-Aluf Ramati, who has been Senior Delegate for more than two years, will attend a course for senior officers.

Mine Kills Marauder

REHOVOT, Saturday. — A marauder was killed in the South when he stepped on a mine yesterday.

Mr. Avraham Ginach was shot by men believed to have been marauders when he stepped out of his hut in a southern town late last night. He was taken to Sarafand Hospital where his condition is reported not serious. Police trackers followed footprints for two kilometres until they were lost on hard ground. It is believed the attackers had come to steal the six goats in the yard.

Hapoel Hamizrahi Enters Histadrut

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The agreement that brought the Hapoel Hamizrahi organization into the Histadrut trade unions was signed yesterday at a ceremony held in the office of Mr. A. Becker, head of the Histadrut Trades Union Department.

Mr. M. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, hailed the agreement as a "healthy sign of unity in the unhealthy atmosphere of division."

Another agreement was signed at the same time, establishing a joint labour exchange for working youth. According to the agreement, work for boys and girls between the ages of 14 to 18 will be distributed to members of Hapoel Hamizrahi and the Histadrut-sponsored working youth organizations proportionately to their members in any area. Both signatories said they hoped the measure was temporary, and a unified labour exchange for young people would be established soon.

German Sentenced for Ill-Treating Jews

SOUTH GERMANY, Saturday (Reuter). — A German court here yesterday sentenced a former S. A. leader, Fritz Klein, to five years' imprisonment for ill-treating Jews 19 years ago.

Klein was found guilty of having raided a synagogue in March, 1933, destroying the furniture. He interrupted the service and ordered 16 Jews to accompany him to the City Hall. There the Jews were beaten up. One of them, Hermann Stern, 67, died the same day from his injuries.

Time Ripe for Talks With Arab States

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP) — According to reliable sources here Israel believes the West now has a golden opportunity to bring about discussions between her and the Arab States, since the views the political climate is better than at any time since 1947.

There is a good deal of sympathy in Israel for the progress being made in Egypt under the regime of Nagib, it was said, and the Israel Government and people now see in Egypt a great potentiality for egalitarianism and true democracy. Diplomatic quarters here said that since the Nagib Government had centered its attention on domestic advancement and remained temperate in pursuing its foreign policy, Israel believes that a rapprochment with Egypt is entirely plausible. These quarters declared that if the Nagib government decides on a settlement, it should at least be discussed by the disputing parties, and then the problem would be infinitely lessened.

These sources asserted that Egypt had tried to pull-pedal the Arab League decision to bring the dispute before the General Assembly which was further evidence that the policy of the institution could readily be changed for the better. On the other hand, it was said that Israel felt if the Western powers granted request of Egypt and other Arab states for military aid without any attempt to settle the issue of peace settlement with Israel might easily dwindle. While Israel sees the need for military strength in the Middle East at that there would be no power vacuum, she is concerned about numerical strength of her Arab neighbours if they continue to be hostile inward her.

Israel sees no chance of getting the dispute unless and until there are negotiations with both parties meeting face to face, these sources said. In this regard they pointed out that there has been a corresponding instance in modern history in which warring powers have not sat down together to arrange some kind of permanent peace after hostilities have ceased. They declared that Israel feels that negotiations should be started, and points which could not be solved at such talks could then be referred to the U.N. While the debate in the current Assembly could do no more than renew bitter recriminations of the past, Israel officials were reported to believe that the debate could have a beneficial result if the U.N. either as an organization or through behind the scenes diplomatic pressure, would persuade both sides that negotiations be conducted.

Progressives Want Economic Ministries Divided Equally

By Moshe Brilliant, POST Parliamentary Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The outlook for the Progressive Party return to the Coalition is not assuring, since simultaneously with the Party's shift from its rigid stand over the past year against entering the Government without the General Zionists, it has taken a less conciliatory position on economic and political issues.

That appears to be the significance of the decision taken on Thursday night by the Party Executive to accept Premier Ben Gurion's invitation for inter-party negotiations.

The Progressives will not return to the Government on a similar basis to that maintained between 1949 and 1951 when Mr. Pinhas Rosen was Minister of Justice and all the economic portfolios were held by Mapai members. Even the proposal to give the late David Svi Pinkas' Communications portfolio to Dr. Herbert Feerder of the Progressives will not satisfy them. They would want the six economic portfolios divided between representatives of the private and labour economic sectors. But, and this is where they have shifted, they would agree that if Mr. Ben Gurion feels he cannot work with the General Zionists, he could invite other representatives of the private economic sector, not necessarily members of the Knesset.

They include demands for relaxation of economic controls, income tax relief, a non-partisan civil service, abolition of state control of education and a reform in wages policy.

It is understood that the Party will not be content with agreements in the inter-party talks on taxation, but will insist upon lowering cost of goods and abolition of import restrictions.

The resolution adopted by the Progressive Party Executive was a compromise formula worked out by Mr. Rosen and Dr. Feerder, who both opposed entering negotiations. Mr. Isaac Nissan, who had represented Ichud, and Mr. Moshe Kol, who stood somewhere between the two positions.

The negotiations with Mapai, even if they are abortive, can be used to emphasize the independence of the Progressives.

The General Zionist leader, Mr. P. Rosenblit, said today that a Government with a small parliamentary majority would be an unhappy one, and that Mr. Ben Gurion should not hesitate in entering for a broad Coalition.

Speaking at a Party meeting at the Mograbi hall here, this evening, he said that Mapai had invited all the Zionist factions to the General Zionists' policy for underlying the Coalition was high.

Sofia Protests Turkish Border Violations

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — A new Bulgarian protest against Turkey was reported by the Bulgarian News Agency last night. The protest lists a number of alleged "premeditated" frontier violations by Turkish forces last month.

The note stressed that the Turkish-Bulgarian border areas had been inspected in September by General Matthew Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe.

In Case You Forget...

Clocks were turned back one hour at midnight G.M.T. last night. So end of Israel Summer Time. Israel Standard Time is two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time. If you forget to put your clock back, you'll be an hour early for work today.

Anglo-Turk Accord On M.E. Problems

LONDON, Saturday. — British and Turkish Foreign Ministers issued a communique at the end of a meeting of two-day talks here on Middle East problems, on all matters under discussion, on which agreement was reached, and on the closest collaboration between the two countries in the future.

"The full and comprehensive exchange of views has been held on world affairs with particular reference to European and Middle Eastern problems."

Replying to questions at a press conference, Turkish Premier Adnan Menderes indicated that plans for the Middle East Command could get ahead without delay and that all interested parties would be invited to take part. He made it clear that his country and Britain would not propose to delay the formation of the Command until every government by the area was in a position to join.

Germany Defends Israel Reparations

BONN, Saturday, (UP). — The German-Israel reparations agreement has "intrinsic moral meaning," a government bulletin statement said today.

In an article discussing Arab charges that German deliveries to Israel would further "territorial expansion," the bulletin claimed that "the agreement is in no way connected with the present situation in which Israel finds itself with the Arab states. It is entirely a matter between the German Federal Republic, Israel and the Jews. In it is manifested the gesture of a people which wants to make it clear that a good section of this people did not wish that which was done in its name."

The treaty forbids the export by Germany to Israel of strategic or war materials and the re-export of those goods it does receive, it is pointed out.

In Goslar, Dr. Muehlenfeld, chairman of the right-wing Deutsche Partei parliamentary group, welcomed the reparations agreement but said that consideration should be given to Arab protests.

Addressing the annual convention of his party, one of the three partners in Adenauer's government, Muehlenfeld said this agreement was necessary in order to restore Germany's reputation, but I believe help should be given to the Arab refugees. The agreement should therefore be submitted to the United Nations for arbitration."

Marshal Juin Wants Spain in Europe Army

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — Marshal Alphonse Juin, Allied Land Commander-in-Chief in Central Europe, said here yesterday that Spain should be a member of the European Army and of "all continental defence organizations."

Vietminh Inflicts Worst Defeat Of Year on French

HANOI, Saturday (Reuter). — Communist Vietminh guerrillas were today advancing on the French Red River stronghold of Yen Bay after seizing the army post of Nghia Lo, and inflicting on the French the worst defeat of the year.

Announcing the fall of Nghia Lo today a French military spokesman said aerial observation had indicated Yen Bay, which guards the Red River's southern bank 100 kms. northwest of Hanoi, was the guerrillas' next objective.

The spokesman said the defenders of Nghia Lo—about 600 troops—were outnumbered ten to one. French intelligence put the guerrilla force at 6,000. The fate of the defenders was still not known today, though it was believed some of them had withdrawn to positions about 10 kms. away.

The guerrillas' capture of Nghia Lo opens to them the rich ricefields of the southern Tonking Delta. Today's setback is seen here as one of the many varying turns of fortune in the 1,540m. a year war which has dragged on since 1945, tying down 150,000 French troops in a country ideal for infiltration tactics. French losses were nearly 20,000 killed or missing up to the end of last year.

The present offensive began nearly a week ago with attacks on French outposts in the Lai Chau area, 280 kms. north-west of Hanoi. The French announced the surrender of "a considerable number" of these outposts.

Wave of Arrests In Egyptian Capital

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter).— The wave of arrests which began in Cairo yesterday continued today, when unofficial estimates placed the number of persons detained and questioned at 60. Unofficial sources said the round-up was in connection of suspected Communist and Zionist activities, but the authorities were maintaining silence on the arrests.

Egyptians and Jews were arrested yesterday, among them many with journalistic connections. News of the police action followed the detention on Thursday night of Henri Haim, 44-year old general manager of an advertising agency, the Societe Orientale de Publicite. Philip Henein, chief reporter of the English-language newspaper the "Egyptian Gazette" and Georges Fahmy, Arabic translator, were also detained.

While security agents were searching the offices of the "Gazette" a number of British and Egyptian journalists were closely questioned and had their private papers seized. Reports suggested the authorities considered certain journalists were showing too great an interest in the activities of German ex-officers now engaged as advisers of the Egyptian Army.

Three questioned yesterday included Mr. Alan McGregor, member of the "Gazette's" editorial staff and correspondent of the Kemsley newspapers, and Mr. Michael Clarke of the "New York Times." Today they questioned Mr. Michael McGee, South African journalist.

Ministry of State Foley Radwan today denied reports that Egypt is considering the proclamation of a republic. He said the reports were "absolutely and utterly wrong."

In a broadcast last night Premier General Naguib declared in reply to reports that the Egyptian army movement which led to abdication was either Communistic or pleading to Communism. Referring to the ex-King's personal attitude Naguib said: "Frankly I should have liked to shoot above attempting political bargaining."

In a major reshuffle of Egyptian diplomatic appointments announced on Friday, Ahmed Hussat, Ambassador to France, had been appointed to Athens and General Ali Naguib, brother of Prime Minister General Mohammed Naguib, has been appointed Ambassador to Syria.

Italian Socialist Hits 'Capitalist Imperialism'

MILAN, Saturday (Reuter). — M. Guiseppe Saragat, Secretary of the Italian Social Democratic Party, told the opening session of the Socialist International Congress here last night that the International sought to create a society founded on voluntary cooperation between free peoples.

"This voluntary cooperation is obstructed by the remaining forces of Capitalist imperialism which imprison peoples and divide the moral unity of all mankind with the ingoble myth of race superiority.

"But there exists today another form of imperialism which is equally destructive of the moral unity of mankind, the Communist imperialism... Based on the negation of every form of political liberty and on the exaltation of the totalitarian dogma, Communism sets once again before the world the eternal debate between reason and myth, between free discussion and the principle of absolute authority."

NATO Preparing for War On U.S.S.R. — Vyshinsky

U.S. Troops Storm Vital Korea Hill

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter).— U.S. troops today stormed vital Pike's Peak in central Korea for the second time within a few hours.

Pike's Peak, final key position on the Triangle Hill mass, north of Kumhwa, dominates a wide area. It has been bitterly contested.

The 8th Army said the U.S. attack began at dawn. The peak was taken with little opposition, but on the summit the Chinese defenders put up a heavy barrage and then counter-attacked in battalion strength. They were repulsed but struck again two hours later and won the peak but only temporarily.

The Americans attacked and after an hour's fighting had driven the last Chinese from the summit and were still in complete control at mid-afternoon.

To the north-east, on all night battle raged on Sniper Ridge (no. 2) and hill 980, key positions from which the Chinese, hammered by artillery and heavy machine-gun fire, started to withdraw at dawn. But sporadic small arms fighting was still taking place.

Hill 980, Sniper Mountain, on the western edge of the Chorwon Valley, remained in dispute throughout the day but the fighting had become sporadic by afternoon. The summit was captured by the Chinese early today but the South Koreans were fighting back from positions near the crest.

Enemy pressure continued in the Finger Ridge area. Two small groups probing the U.N. positions were repulsed shortly after midnight.

Communists Protest P.O.W.'s 'Slaughter'

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — General Nam Il chief Communist delegate to the Korean armistice negotiations, on Thursday lodged a protest with the U.N. senior delegate against the continuous slaughter by the Americans' of prisoners after suspension of the truce negotiations.

According to Peking's New China News Agency the protest said, "On October 12 your side murdered two of our captured personnel on Chaju island. On October 13 and 14 your side wounded 11 of our captured personnel on Kojo island. I lodge a serious protest with you against this."

"This recent crime of your repeated torturing and killing of war prisoners shows that, after breaking off the armistice negotiations, your side is out to use various savage methods in fabricating excuses for your refusal to repatriate the war prisoners and obstructing the reasonable settlement of the repatriation question — the only remaining issue blocking an armistice in Korea."

"You should understand that every atrocity perpetuated by your side against our captured personnel only serves to discredit more thoroughly all your pretexts for refusing to repatriate the POW's. You cannot escape the grave responsibility for deliberately wrecking the Korean armistice negotiations and plotting to extend the Korean war."

Offers Korea Peace on Old Terms

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (UP). — The Soviet Union charged in the U.N. today that the U.S., Britain and France are working against peace through the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and are establishing a "war psychosis" throughout the world.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky, speaking in the General Assembly, said peace was at the "core" of the tense world situation and the USSR had always worked toward a peaceful solution of world problems. The "activities of NATO, whose aims its organizers and leaders are trying in vain to camouflage, continue to play a decisive role in the aggravation of international relations," he said.

Mr. Vyshinsky said the world food shortage, mentioned on Thursday by U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson, was a "direct result of predatory exploitation ... mainly by U.S. monopolistic capital."

The U.S., he charged, does not "even show pity" for other capitalistic states, adding that the Korean War is now in its third year. He said the U.N. lines in Korea have collapsed but the "Americans do not shrink from all sorts of barbarous types of warfare — destruction of cities by bombing men, women and children, ignoring morality, systematically using gases, napalm bombs and bacteriological weapons."

Charges War Prolonged

The Soviet delegate said the U.S. is deliberately prolonging the Korean War to "mask economic difficulties at home... American billionaires are raking in tremendous profits from the war and have no interest in having it come to an end. It removes the threat of depression and growing crises in capitalist countries."

He called for an immediate end to the Korean War on the terms outlined yesterday by Polish Foreign Minister Stanislaw Skrzyszewski. The latter plan called for unconditional return of all war prisoners to their homelands "in agreement with international practice."

Mr. Vyshinsky renewed the charge that the U.S. was using germ warfare in Korea and said there are "five large hails" in Peking, Communist China's capital, containing exhibits "proving microbe warfare."

Turning to the European political front, he said NATO was forging a "mad armaments race" and the Western agreement with West Germany "is tantamount to the revival of German militarism."

On M.E. Defence

In the Middle East, Mr. Vyshinsky said, the U.S., "has intensified pressure on countries to set up a Middle East command and wishes to use those nations and colonial institutions for those ends, despite the opposition of the peoples of the Middle East to the Middle East Command."

He criticized the U.S. and the Truman administration for appropriating "tremendous" amounts of money for military production and quoted Mr. Dwight Eisenhower, Republican presidential candidate, as saying, "You can't spend money in a war economy and say prosperity is a war prosperity." He charged the Western Powers with spending more on war preparations than they did in 1941.

In direct question to the U.S. and Mr. Acheson, who was seated opposite him, Mr. Vyshinsky asked: "If the U.S. is prepared to intervene the use of atomic bombs, as Mr. Acheson said, why does it reject all proposals for outlawing the atomic bomb year after year? If it is ready to foment sweet bacteriological warfare why do you, Mr. Acheson, refuse to become a party to the 1925 Geneva protocol?"

The Soviet Foreign Minister said the USSR based its proposals for the ban on the consciousness of capitalism and communism," but that the American people "will not be spared if the U.S. unleashes a general war."

He concluded by asking the Assembly to "speak up in the peace-loving proposals of the Soviet delegation... We wish to remove the threat of a new world war — the threat of the appalling misery that would face the peoples of the world if they are drawn into the maelstrom of a new world war."

His speech was greeted by a burst of applause from members of the U.S. and British delegations and not take part in it.

NATO Won't Attack, Lord Ismay Says

ROME, Saturday (Reuter). — Lord Ismay, NATO Secretary-General, said here tonight that NATO "cannot attack through excessive haste to avert the last war, to lose the cold one.

"We must save up to the limit in order to be as strong as possible as rapidly as possible — but not at the expense of national bankruptcy," he told reporters.

"In NATO we say a ship, not a plane, not a gun will ever be used except in self-defence," he said, adding: "And no one knows better than the Soviet General Staff that the forces we plan are of a magnitude which can never be put to offensive or aggressive purposes."

S. African Apartheid Issue on Agenda

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter).—The General Assembly decided by 46 votes against six, with eight abstentions, to place on the agenda the question of South Africa's policy of segregation of "blacks" and "whites." This action was taken despite a strong attack made by the leader of the South African delegation, Mr. G. P. Jooste, on the Arab-Asian group which proposed the item.

Mr. Jooste called their motion an "improper invasion of South Africa's most elementary rights as a sovereign independent State." He denied that the U.N. Charter entitled the organization to deal with the matter.

On Thursday night the Assembly voted by 46 against five to retain on the agenda consideration of the American peace treaty. Mr. Andrei Gromyko rejected Russia's view that the matter should be left to be dealt with by the four occupying powers and suggested that a U.N. debate would render the treaty negotiations more complicated.

All other items proposed for the Agenda were approved, including the issues of Tunisia and Morocco to which, surprisingly, France raised no objection.

The Israel delegation abstained from voting on the Chairman's ruling on the competence of the General Assembly to discuss the South African apartheid laws, as the delegation had no definite opinion on the matter and felt that the whole question could be discussed in committee later. The delegation voted for such a discussion in committee.

The delegation voted against South Africa's objections to an item calling for a debate on the treatment of Indians within the Union of South Africa. Israel's negative vote was cast because of her view that all and any item should be permitted to be brought up before the General Assembly for discussion.

The Assembly's Credentials Committee yesterday decided to postpone for the duration of this session consideration of any proposals to exclude the representatives of the Government of Nationalist China and seat representatives of Communist China.

This was proposed by the U.S. and endorsed by a vote of six in favour (U.S.A., Panama, New Zealand, Belgium, Lebanon and Paraguay) and three against (Sweden, USSR and Burma).

1,100 BRITISH FIRMS SEEK CHINA TRADE

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Over 1,100 British firms have applied to do trade with Communist China in the past four weeks, the London Export Corporation announced yesterday.

The corporation, which is purchasing agent here for the China National Import-Export Corporation of Peking, had asked a number of firms if they wanted to supply machinery and other goods to China.

An official of the corporation said that out of 1,305 replies received two were positively hostile and seven slightly hostile because China is Communist, and 1,100 were keen to do business with the Communists.

The remaining firms could not take part.

A group of British Independent including a Conservative Member of Parliament have formed a company to operate agreements made by the Mission. Contracts concerned cotton piece goods, oil cake, canned ham. The company, operating as the "International Trade Association, Ltd.," has as its chief President Lord Boyd Orr, formerly Director-General of the U.N. Food and Agricultural Organization.

U.N. AGENCY ACCUSES RHEE OF MOB RULE

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday (Reuter). — A U.N. Commission yesterday accused President Syngman Rhee of South Korea of attempting "mob rule" and trying to limit freedom of political expression before his election last August.

The Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea referred in a report to the "acute conflict" between President Rhee and the National Assembly in May, June and July. This was when the President was pressing for presidential elections by popular vote instead of by the Assembly, arrested several Assemblymen for alleged conspiracy and opposed an Assembly order that he lift martial law.

"The disturbing features in this case," the commission said, "were the disregard of the provisions of the constitution and law, the attempted resort to mob rule and the use of martial law and government authority to limit freedom of political expression."

COAL STRIKE LOOMS IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — The Wage Stabilization Board today cut 21 per cent from the $1.90 daily wage increase won for coal-mine workers by their union, making certain a general strike in the industry on Monday.

Over 150,000 miners walked off the job in a protest strike this week when October pay cheques did not include the $1.90 increase. Miners work over the week-end but a general shutdown was expected on Monday.

The Board's 40-cent cut was a major surprise. Board Chairman Archibald Cox told reporters the $1.90 rise gave soft coal miners "equal treatment" with the other groups, most of whom, he said, "will have received less." Approval of the full amount, he added, would have meant a wage increase "greater than any consistent with an honest stabilization programme."

ADENAUER WARNS OF MOSCOW 'GAME'

BERLIN, Saturday (Reuter). —Chancellor Konrad Adenauer appealed here today to the Western allies to ignore "Moscow's game" and carry on with the building up of a West German defence force with German divisions. He was aware that certain circles in Britain and France dwelt on the idea of a compromise agreement with Russia.

"This has been one of my biggest worries in the whole field of foreign politics," he declared. "I ask, in Europe's name, for this danger to pass."

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Dr. Yosef Burg, Minister for Health, returned by LAI on Friday after a ... week visit to the U.S. on behalf of the Bond Drive.

Sir Leon and Lady Simon have returned to Jerusalem from a private trip to England.

Mr. Asher Ben, director of the Tourist Centre, returned by El Al on Friday from a short visit to Italy.

Professor B. Akzin, Dean of the Law Faculty of the Hebrew University, has returned from a visit to England, Belgium, Holland and France. While abroad, he lectured at the University of London and the Belgian Institute for Foreign Relations and participated in the Congress of the International Association of Political Science held at The Hague under the auspices of UNESCO. Prof. Akzin was elected to the Executive Committee of the Association.

Dr. Ethel G. Fox, Executive Director of the Israel Institute of Applied Social Research, has returned from Athens where he participated in the UNESCO Middle East Regional Conference. Professor A. Bonne, of the Hebrew University, and Professor J. Shelt, of the School of Law and Economics in Tel Aviv, who also attended the Conference, are due back shortly.

Prof. Walter J. Fischel, head of the Near East Institute of the University of California at Berkeley, is to lecture on "The Jewish Communities of Iran and India," under the auspices of the School of Oriental Studies of the Hebrew University and the Israel Oriental Society, at Terra Santa College in Jerusalem at eight o'clock this evening.

Mr. H.G. Herren, F.C.I.I., Foreign Fire Manager of the Phoenix Assurance Company Ltd. of London will lecture at 5 o'clock today at the Israel Insurance Club, 32 Rehov Yavneh, Tel Aviv, on the subject "A Fire Underwriter Abroad."

Miss Edna S. Hess, of Haifa, was among the 891 students who received degrees at the 272nd University of Chicago Convocation last month. Miss Hess received a Master's degree.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE
FREUND—KNOPF

The marriage will take place today in New York between Menahem, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Freund, of New York, and Chaya, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reuven Knopf, of Haifa.

Hilda Gutman has returned from her trip abroad. Hours 9 a.m.-2 p.m. daily. 21 Rehov Pinsker, Tel Aviv. (Advt.)

Mrs. Batya Namir Dead in Ukraine

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The death occurred in Kherson, Ukraine, last August, of Mrs. Batya Namir (Nemirovsky) at the age of 80, according to news reaching here today. Mrs. Namir was the mother of Mr. Mordecai Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut and formerly Israel Minister to the Soviet Union.

Shortly before the end of his service as Minister, Mr. Namir, who had sought the whereabouts of his mother for some time, received special permission through the good offices of Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky to visit his mother in Kherson, a town which foreign diplomats in the Soviet Union are not permitted to visit.

Owing to technical difficulties, the meeting between mother and son, their first in nearly 30 years, lasted only four hours.

Mrs. Namir leaves one other son in Israel, Mr. Shlomo Namir, and three grandchildren.

ARTISTS ATTEND BEN ZVI FUNERAL

A large group of artists from all parts of the country, students of the Bezalel Art School, and crowds of art lovers took part in the funeral procession of the late Ze'ev Ben Zvi, renowned sculptor and painter who died last Friday at the age of 48.

On the way to the cemetery at Givat Shaul a wreath of flowers was placed at the "Artists House" by the sculptor's colleagues.

Better Retail Facilities Needed for Vegetables

By Our Economic Correspondent

Last summer brought our first experiment in decontrol, and it is already possible to draw a few conclusions from it. The first is that the decontrol of vegetables augmented the supply considerably. Shops were full and the housewife had a fairly good choice of fruit and vegetables and the monotonous diet of last winter became somewhat more varied. All this has a positive value. It must, however, be kept in mind that decontrol was facilitated in this field by a plentiful supply, and that not a little pressure and the investment of large amounts beginning to worry about the bountiful vegetable crop.

The vegetable growers are beginning to worry about the future. Already there are proposals to enlarge sales-facilities for vegetables by displaying them in grocery shops and allowing more hawkers to sell the produce. This means that sales-facilities must be adjusted to the new position in which the buyer rather than the seller has again become arbiter in the market. It is of the utmost importance that this trend be encouraged, because once the sellers' market is broken and fruit and vegetables are to be found in such quantities as to threaten high prices, the grower will try to mend matters by raising less. This can be avoided by ensuring minimum prices to the growers, by furthering more elasticity in sales and giving scope to the initiative of the individual farmer. At the same time, however, the price problem should not be neglected.

Several Leading Questions

Must fruit and vegetables be as expensive as they were in this first summer of decontrol? It is almost impossible to answer this question unequivocally. What should the calculation of profitability contain? What standard of living are we to take as the basis for making vegetable-growing pay? What time limit do we set for the amortisation of machinery, of irrigation-equipment and so on? How much should a dunam produce in order to make a certain crop profitable?

The answer to these questions will vary enormously, according to crops grown, quality of soil, the age of the settlement concerned and so on. One might even say that profitability has until now been a secondary consideration. There was no competition in the field of fruit and vegetable growing as there were no imports. Calculations were rendered the more difficult by the different exchange rates which altered the value of machinery, fertiliser and other items contained in the produce. The thirst of the market for every sort of agricultural produce made, moreover, for a widespread disdain for profitability calculations. The towns were hungry, they had to be fed, and could be expected to pay.

Position May Change

This position must be expected to change. "Rationing by the purse," the lack of ready money which is to be felt everywhere, must make itself felt. And once this change begins to operate it will be impossible for the growers to go back to restrictive practices in order to ensure a profit. This practice was possible as long as controls operated and as long as purchasing power was so plentiful as to make sales a certainty as long as there was something to be sold. The growers operated, so to speak, in an economic vacuum.

To reduce prices of vegetables and fruit — and later of other agricultural produce — is not only necessary for a safe market but for the future standard of living. The worker in the towns, his real wage and his standard depends to a large extent on the price of the food he eats. Gradually, locally grown food must become more important in the food-basket and its price therefore decisive in our wage-calculation. A break in the chain of controls made bigger supplies possible. Coming seasons will confront us with the task of returning to realistic calculations and the reduction of costs in production and sales.

Israel Items On U.N. Agenda

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday. Three items relating to Israeli-Arab relations appear as numbers 4, 5 and 6 in the seven-point agenda of the Ad Hoc Political Committee. The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Political Committee is Alexis Kyrou of Greece.

The respective agendas of the First Committee (Political and Security) and of the Special (Ad Hoc) Political Committee are as follows:

First Committee

1) Methods which might be used to maintain and strengthen international peace and security in accordance with the Purposes and Principles of the Charter: Report of the Collective Measures Committee.
2) Regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of all armed forces and all armaments: Report of the Disarmament Commission.
3) Report of the United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea.
4) Question of the peace treaty with Austria.
5) Tunisian question.
6) The question of Morocco.
7) Interference of the United States of America in the internal affairs of other States.

Ad Hoc

1) Eritrea.
2) Admission of new members.
3) Question of the racial conflict in South Africa provoked by the "Apartheid" policy.
4) The Conciliation Commission for Palestine and its work with regard to the United Nations resolutions.
5) Violation by the Arab States of their obligations under the Charter.
6) Question relating to the Palestine refugees.
7) Question relating to the repatriation of Greek children.

Winter Season Opens

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The winter season "opened" here yesterday, when 4.5 millimetres of rain fell in a heavy downpour lasting about half an hour in the early hours of the morning. By daylight, the sky had cleared and the day started by being moist and hot, becoming warm and drier in the afternoon.

Today, the sky was again mainly overcast, with a wintry look about it after the bright blue of the summer months. The Government Meteorological Department said tonight, however, that no rain was expected for the next day or so.

EDUCATION'S COST RAISES C-o-L

The recent four-point rise in the cost-of-living which sent the index up to 169 points in September, was due principally to a 19 per cent increase in the Education and Culture category, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research.

This increase follows higher fees for schools and kindergartens as well as for writing materials. Food rose by three per cent following higher prices for fruits, bananas, tomatoes, cucumbers, beets, onions, string beans, olives and wine.

Other increases were two per cent each for clothing and footwear, and for taxes.

FIRST AID WORKERS TO STRIKE IN J'LEM

Magen David Adom employees in Jerusalem are scheduled to hold a half-day warning strike today in protest against delays in the payment of their salaries.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN FRIDAY'S PRESS

Publication of Hard Currency Budget Frees Treasury for Basic Tasks

Economic affairs were, for the second consecutive day, the main topic of comment in the local press. "Davar" (Histadrut) says that the publication of the foreign currency budget relieves the Treasury of the necessity of interfering with details concerning the work of other economic ministries. It will now be able to dedicate its main efforts to outlining and carrying out a sound monetary and credit policy. As to the proposed import programme "Davar" says that the sums allocated for each item appear to be a bare minimum and it appears impossible to establish a scale of priority among the various items at the present time.

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) also comments on the lack of foreign currency and says that this shortage is not the result of the unwillingness of Jews abroad and foreign governments to help us but rather of the low level of production in this country. The paper criticises the Government for not continuing its deflationary policy, and says that there are two ways out of the present shortage of local money which has afflicted the Government: one is to restrict its own apparatus. The paper says that it might perhaps be possible to eliminate whole departments. The second way is to change the income tax regulations and to make collection more efficient. The paper says that little has been done in this respect and that the recent reforms are hardly apt to discourage tax evasion.

Criticises Theatre Taxes

"Haboker" (General Zionist) criticises in its editorial the new taxes imposed on theatres and says that this might force some to close down. This "materialist" approach will lead in due course to a lowering of our cultural standards, the paper claims, adding this might affect the American contributors to the Keren Norman who have contributed substantially in the past to cultural institutions in Israel. "Haboker" demands a public campaign against this tax.

Both "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) and "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) launched a counter-offensive on the Rehovot issue, demanding the release of the imprisoned workers and a promise that the police will not intervene in the future in labour disputes. The latter paper sharply attacks "Revisionist-Fascist strikebreaking" and criticises the Government for not supporting organized labour.

"Kol Ha'am" also reviews the recent "Kibbutz Artzi" (Mapam) conference, attacking the present leadership of Kibbutz Artzi for its unwillingness to collaborate more fully with the Communists. It criticises particularly Mr. Ya'akov Hazan's speech in which he called upon the youth to go to border settlements and demanded a new halutzic revival. The Communist paper says that it had never believed in the anti-Marxist theory that by building more kibbutzim Socialism would be strengthened in Israel.

Stalin's Article Is "Guide"

In "Al Hamishmar," Mr. M. Bentov, one of the editors of the paper, writing on the new Stalin article calling it a "guide for the perplexed among socialists" and drawing certain parallels between Stalin's conclusions and the state of the kibbutzim. To Dr. Sneh, writing in the same paper, belongs the distinction of being the first to translate into Hebrew (and into Israel conditions) the new Moscow slogan that Communists outside the Eastern bloc should see their main task in fighting for national independence.

"Hatsofe" (Mizrahi) publishes an article, dedicated to the forthcoming "Hapoel Hamizrahi" conference, in which it says that the movement has not given the necessary attention to social and ideological developments around it and that this should be done now.

At the Cinema

"THE Man With a Cloak" (Eden, J'lem) is a melodrama from the gaslight-period. The action takes place in New York in 1848. An aged Napoleonic refugee-general, enormously rich but a drunkard (Louis Calhern), lives in a mansion, with his three servants who are waiting for his death to become his heirs. The ringleader is the lady housekeeper (Barbara Stanwyck) who was once a celebrated star on the stage. One fine morning an extremely coy girl (Leslie Caron) arrives from Paris with a letter of introduction to the ex-general from his nephew, whose girl-friend she is. He is a Republican and asks for money to help the people. A great intrigue ensues, involving a mysterious and romantic, "Man with a Cloak," (Joseph Cotten).

The most striking feature of this adventurous period piece is the revelation during the last 10 seconds of the real identity of the title-hero. Louis Calhern turns out a brilliant performance and newcomer Leslie ("An American in Paris") Caron is unusually charming. FRANCO

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Pet. Tik. Mac.	4	Ramat Gan Hap.	2

SECOND DIVISION

Rehovot Hapoel	2	Jaffa Maccabi	0
Ramat Gan Mac.	3	Jaffa Betar	1
Hadera Hapoel	2	Zichron Ya'acov Maccabi	2

FRIENDLY GAME

Nathanya Mac.	2	Kfar Saba Hap.	1
Balfouria Hap.	3	Haifa Maccabi	3

Davidman Wins Two Tennis Tourneys in One Day

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Eliezer Davidman, 17, of Maccabi Tel Aviv, won the Israel international tennis championship today in the final of the match against Gavriel Dubitzki, also 17. The game was broken off earlier this week because of darkness. The players had both won two sets with the score standing at 6:0; 3:6; 7:5; 4:6. Results of the final set today was 7:5.

Immediately after the end of this game the pair met again in the Israel youth championship which Davidman again won by 6:3; 7:5.

Brand, Harrison Share Jove Shield

JOHANNESBURG, (S. AFRICA) (UP) — South Africa's Gold Medal winners at the 1952 Olympics, swimmer Joan Harrison and high-jumper Esther Brand, have been jointly awarded the shield of Jove, presented to the Union's worthiest Olympic representative.

The trophy is worth £20,000 and is kept in the Transvaal Museum. The awards were announced by Premier Daniel Malan.

Joan Harrison won the 100 metres backstroke title in 1:14.3 from favorite Geertje Wielema of Holland. Esther Brand edged out Britain's world record holder, Sheila Lerwill, to take the high jump at five feet, 5 3/4 inches.

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At 5, 7, 9 p.m.

ARMON: Marie Chapdelaine.
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Where to go

JERUSALEM

Jerusalem Abbitol Zoo ... Feeding time 2-3 p.m. ... Exhibition ... Harry Philipps ... Antiquities ... Archaeological Exhibition ... Film Shows at Keren Hayesod Office.

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8.30 p.m. "Awake and Sing," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.

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ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.30, 11.30, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30, 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30 a.m., 2.15, and 6.30 p.m. Yiddish 10.00 a.m. ... Musical Clock (R). 7.30 Morning Melodies (R). 8.30 Oriental Music. 9.45 Close Down.

12.30 p.m. Music While You Work. 11.30 Music of the People (R). 11.45 Housewives' Corner. 12.00 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky (Arensky); "Pictures from an Exhibition" (Moussorgsky-Ravel). 1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.40 Book for Music (R). 2.00 Close Down.

5.00 p.m. Variety (R). 5.45 Vocal Recital: Daniel Duggett. 5.30 Tea Time Music (R). 6.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety (R). 7.05 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Talk. 7.30 Variety (R). 8.00 "Walls of Work." ... Concert: Mozart Programme; Concertante ... Symphony No. 35. 10.00 Hebrew Songs. 10.30 Record (R). 10.55 Interlude. 11.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
468, 338, 316, 45.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m.; 10.15 p.m. French: 2.07 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Close Corner. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.30 Second Temple Period Literature. 5.30 Works by Delius. 6.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (31,384.): 11.15 p.m. (Newsreel). 11.30 "Personal Columns" by W. Eytan. 11.35 "1952" Album.

ARMY PROGRAMMES: (44.6, 316 229 & 223 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Music. 7.00 Gadna Programme. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.45 Sports. 8.00 Entrance Ticket. 8.30 News. 8.45 I.A.F. Band. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (24.92 & 30.53 M.): 7.30 p.m. News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 Seven Chronicle.

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Jerusalem	—	18	0	0
Beersheba	—	35	0	0
Sedom	41	33	0	0

FORECAST: Generally partly cloudy, but cloudy in the late and afternoon in the Negev and the South; isolated showers may occur.

"A) Sunday at 1 p.m. 2) Minister (Gen. G. Marco, yesterday. b) Monday, today reported today.

CHARGES AGAINST Angel Caruana, a Tel Aviv grocery owner, of issuing the check by which Yehoshua Rabinowitz, of Mt. Herzl Drive, killed his two sons of needle which fell into one of the newest's buildings in Tel Aviv last year, were dropped on Friday because of insufficient evidence. Many of the witnesses failed to appear at the trial.

MORE THAN 70 persons and soldiers were picked up by police in Jerusalem last week for carrying without permits. They will be brought to trial in the Municipal Court.

FIXED. Bus fare delays decided on Friday not to work, although they have now been paid since the first of the month.

Sale of Unrationed Vegetables Studied

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The continuation next season of the sale of unrationed vegetables and the fixing of minimum prices for basic vegetables is being discussed by the Ministries of Agriculture and Commerce and Industry, it was learned in Jerusalem.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Dr. Dov Joseph, declared recently that he considered the free sale of vegetables a failure since prices jumped unreasonably with most of the profits going to dealers. The Ministry is now making calculations on the extent farmers were aided by uncontrolled prices and how much they were encouraged to increase output.

It was also reported that the minimum price system for basic vegetables was a failure since farmers used the plan only for a short period when the market was saturated with eggplant.

The Government is to continue to assist in increasing output, it was stated. In addition to high prices, farmers will be helped by direct subsidies and by providing them with cheaper means of production, it was pointed out.

Under another proposal, farmers would benefit from a system of graduated prices. The Government would pay them a minimum price for a fixed amount, and progressively higher prices for additional quantities.

These suggestions form only a basis of assistance. Detailed plans are to be ready by the end of December and are to be presented to farmers' organizations in sufficient time to affect next season's plantings, it was said.

(See "Retail Facilities" — Page 2)

Drom Yehuda Bus Director Dead

REHOVOT, Saturday. — The death took place here yesterday of Mr. Avraham Yamshahor, at the age of 48. Mr. Yamshahor, who leaves a wife and four children, was a director of the Drom Yehuda bus cooperative and was among the founders of Ataret.

Lately, he worked for a subsidiary company of the Mekorot Water Company in Azor, near Tel Aviv, where he was taken ill yesterday morning. He asked to be taken home, but died before reaching Rehovot.

The funeral will take place in Rishon le Zion tomorrow.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM. — Thursday, 8 p.m. Feb. 14, inclusive, 42, plus B, C, D, E. Coupons 28 grams. Feb 14. Temporary M. coup. 4.

Merger of Youth Groups Completed

Jerusalem POST Reporter

TIBERIAS, Saturday. — The Dror Habonim and Gordonia-Hanoar Hatzioni youth movements merged last evening to form the Ihud Hanoar Hatzioni.

Delegates from South ern Syria and Mediterranean countries where the movement's main strength lies, in addition to those members in six Kibbutzim, attended the three-day convention ending tonight at Bet Berl Katzenelson at Bet Yerah.

The Acting President, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, and the Deputy Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Ze'ev Shefer, greeted the gathering. Representatives of the Ihud Hakvutzot v'Hakibbutzim and of the Jewish Agency also addressed the group and a message from the Prime Minister was read.

The first day of the convention was devoted to discussion of the education of members abroad.

Dig Season Opens In Jordan Valley

Jerusalem POST Staff

TIBERIAS, Saturday. — The winter season of archaeological excavations in the Jordan Valley is to begin tomorrow with three digs in the area just south of Lake Tiberias.

At Sha'ar Hagolan (see map), Dr. Moshe Stekelis is leading an expedition of the Israel Exploration Society. He will resume the work begun in 1950 when he found the remains of a Neolithic village of a hitherto unknown civilization which no

dated at 4,500 B.C.E. and named the Yarmukian Culture. The Sha'ar Hagolan kibbutz built a small museum to house the interesting finds including statuettes indicating the existence of a fertility cult.

The renewed dig, in which the kibbutz is cooperating, is aimed at studying the stratification of the site to determine the links of the Yarmukian Culture with the periods preceding and following it.

The other two expeditions beginning work tomorrow are built at Bet Yerah, on the southern shore of the Lake, and is conducted by the Government Department of Antiquities and led by Mr. Pessah Bar Ardon, and the other by the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago.

2,650 Tourists Now Citizens of Israel

Of the tourists who entered the country from 1949 to 1951, 2,650, or three per cent, have become citizens of Israel, the Government Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research reported last week.

A breakdown of the figures of tourists who have changed their status show that 38 per cent were residents of Europe, 24 per cent came from Asia, 13 per cent from Africa, and 23 per cent from America and Oceana. The percentage of American tourists who became citizens is high, the Statistical Department points out, when compared with the percentage of immigrants from America, which amounts to only one per cent of the total number of immigrants who arrived during the three years in question.

A higher percentage of persons of working age (20 to 40) were recorded for this group than for regular immigration during the three-year period. As against 7.5 per cent of the total number of immigrants with some technical ability, the percentage of technicians, administrators, professional workers, and clerks among the tourist group reaches 20.2 per cent, the report showed.

Paper Bag Plant Near Haifa To Save Israel $250,000 Yearly

HAIFA, Saturday. — A factory that will make paper bags for cement and later for chemicals, fertilizers, seeds and grains, was officially dedicated at Nesher yesterday. The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Dr. Dov Joseph, and representatives of the Finnish partners, the United Paper Mills, were present. The latter included Mr. J. W. Rangell, former Premier of Finland, and now Director of the Finnish National Bank. The plant was erected by the Nesher Cement company and the Finnish partners.

It represents a IL.400,000 investment, that included IL90,000. Nesher built the premises and the Finnish partners provided the machines and will supply the paper. When the Hadera Paper mill starts production it is hoped that local paper will be used.

Now employing 38 women and 15 men under the technical direction of Mr. A. Brax, of Finland, the factory is to produce 6m. three-ply bags a year on one shift. Local production is expected to save the country $220,000 a year.

All needs of present and planned cement production will be met, and will leave six to eight million sacks for other products if the plant works three shifts. Chemindus and Fertilizers Ltd. is already using the bags for packing its phosphates.

Dr. Joseph welcomed the enterprise that had succeeded in bringing together the cooperative sector and private foreign capital. He hoped its success would encourage the investors to establish more enterprises to build Israel industry.

Mr. J. W. Watson, Managing Director and vice-chairman of the Finnish firm, recalled its long-standing connection with Israel and Jewish businessmen. "We are pleased to take part in the conquest of new industrial spheres for Israel," he said.

Other speakers included Mr. Brax, representatives of the Nesher plant and workers, and Mr. Raino Dahl, Mayor of Valkeakoski, home town of the Finnish plant.

The Nesher plant is now exporting 3,000 tons of cement monthly at $24 to $25 dollars a ton.

The Finnish guests included Messrs. A. J. Poutti, Mr. S. Louhos, and Mr. U. Varhonin.

Israel Expert To Advise in Haiti

Mr. Shlomo Tel, Israel expert on fisheries, will leave shortly for Haiti to organize fisheries there as part of the U.N. Technical Assistance Programme.

cf. Tel is the first Israel specialist asked to go on technical assistance to a foreign country.

Lichtman Free On IL.4,000 Bail

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — Gavriel Lichtman, the driver charged with conspiring with Dov Shilinski to place a time-bomb in a Foreign Ministry building at Hakirya two weeks ago, was released under IL.4,000 bail by Judge M. Kenneth in the District Court here on Friday.

Lichtman's lawyer, Mr. A. Rosenberg, appealed for release on bail last week, but the appeal was rejected by the Court when the police stated that inquiries were not yet completed.

On Thursday night Mr. Rosenberg was informed that the police then had no objection to bail, and Lichtman was freed when the police prosecutor, Mr. Y. Ben-Ari, told the Court yesterday that the investigations were completed. Dov Shilinski, charged with carrying the bomb, is due to appear before a Magistrate for preliminary investigation on Monday.

False Warning Phoned To Hakirya Building

TEL AVIV, Saturday (Itim). — Ministry of Defence buildings of Hakirya were evacuated for half an hour yesterday morning when a youthful voice telephoned to the Ministry and warned that the building would be blown up within a quarter of an hour. The warning was passed on to the Kirya guard, and senior police officers accompanied by bomb-disposal experts arrived quickly. The area was searched, but nothing was found.

Police sources told Itim that it appeared certain that the false warning had been given by members of the "Bikrikin" group. Most of the members were known to the police, but as they were all 15-to 17-year-olds, without experience of underground activities, no action would be taken against them as long as they confined their activities to harmless posting up of notices.

U.S. Army Buys Israel Clothes

The "Post Exchange" (PX) of the U.S. Army in West Germany has ordered clothing valued at $400,00 from four Israel firms.

Mr. H. Hailig, the manager of the Hellig clothing company in Jerusalem, received a telephone order from West Germany on Thursday for clothing valued at $70,000. He said this was the third and largest order received by his company. He pointed out that the clothing was shipped by El Al which insures delivery within 24 hours.

The previous orders totalled about $250,000, of which almost $100,000 was profit in foreign currency, he said.

Work Exchange 'Regrets' Rehovot Incident

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Local labour exchanges throughout the country were instructed by the Central Union of Labour Exchanges last month to intensify their efforts to prevent unorganized labour from taking available jobs. These instructions were issued following the occurrence of a number of incidents resulting from the employment of unorganized labour through channels other than the inter-party exchanges.

At a meeting held here yesterday the Central Union regretted the incident in Rehovot last week when a group of organized workers tore down the walls of houses under construction, but pointed out that this illegal action followed the employment of unorganized labour on the construction project.

All persons detained in connection with the razing of the houses have now been released upon completion of the police investigation.

Nazareth Street Cleaners Work with Police Guard

NAZARETH, Saturday. — Nazareth's streets are being cleaned under police protection by newly engaged scavengers who replaced those who have been on strike since last week. The strike has been declared illegal by the Ministry of Labour, and condemned in a leaflet to the public by the Israel Labour League, Arab affiliate of the Histadrut.

The striking Municipality workers held another demonstration today. It was arranged by the Communist Trade Union Congress.

NEARLY 60 persons were picked up in Jerusalem by the Municipal Courts Department on Wednesday and Thursday for having bicycles without proper lights. Cyclists were fined from IL1 to IL3.

Parents Die, Sons Ill After Eating Goat

HAIFA, Saturday. — A mother and father have died and their two sons are seriously ill from eating spoiled goat meat at Kafr Sha'ab in Western Galilee.

Ali Ahmed Ganaz, 70, slaughtered a sick goat on October 12 and served the meat to his family. They all became ill, and Ganaz died on the night of October 14 and his wife the following night. Their two sons are ill in Rambam Hospital.

Infant Killed By Army Film Unit

NATHANYA, Thursday (delayed). — A two-year-old boy was fatally shot and his three-year-old sister was seriously wounded by stray bullets near here today.

The shooting occurred during the production of a military training film when a group of soldiers fired five bullets over a hill behind which the infants lived.

The boy, Mahlouf Halfon, was hit in the stomach and died on the way to hospital, while his sister Grazia was hit in the arm.

The officer in charge of the film unit was detained and released after charges had been made against him.

A three-man court of inquiry has been set up. (ITM)

Shot Man Identifies Assailant Before Dying

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Mohamed Ali Masri, 36, of the Ajami Quarter, Jaffa, died in Hayarkon Hospital this afternoon of wounds received last night when he was shot by a person who entered his house. Before being operated upon Masri told police that he had been awakened by someone entering his house soon after 3 a.m.

He called out: "Who's there?" The intruder replied in Arabic, "Quiet!" and then fired a shot at him, hitting him below the heart.

He identified his assailant as a 25-year-old resident of the old town of Lydda, who was arrested later today.

Woman Killed By Bus Near Ma'bara

HAIFA, Saturday. — An Egged bus ran over and instantly killed a woman outside the Kfar Ata ma'bara on Friday morning when it passed a stationary bus.

The body of the as yet unidentified woman was taken to Rambam Hospital and the driver was detained.

World Jewish Population: 11,672,000 in 97 Countries

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuter). — The Jews of the world number about 11,672,000 distributed in 97 different countries, a survey of the world's Jewish population made public tonight by the World Jewish Congress reported.

Three nations, Israel, the U.S. and the Soviet Union, accounted for more than 70 per cent of the total, the survey said. There were four countries in which less than 100 Jews resided — Indo-China, Malta, Siam and the Virgin Islands.

As reported in the study, the Jewish population of the U.S. was about 5,000,000; about 2,000,000 Jews live in the Soviet Union and 1,450,000 in Israel.

The survey showed that on a continental basis there were 3,379,647 Jews in Europe, 1,632,905 in Asia, 707,025 in Africa, 5,565,500 in North and South America and 55,925 in Australia and New Zealand.

These summaries were given for various countries as well: Albania 100, Austria 14,000, Belgium 40,000, Bulgaria 6,000, Czechoslovakia 14,000, Denmark 5,000, Finland 1,500, France 300,000, Germany 22,000, Gibraltar 600, Britain and North Ireland 450,000, Greece 7,500, Hungary 125,000, Irish Free State 4,000, Italy 35,000, Luxemburg 600, Malta 72, Netherlands 11,000, Norway 1,000, Poland 45,000, Portugal 1,000, Rumania 250,000, Spain 4,000, Sweden 15,000, Switzerland 18,000, Trieste 1,000, USSR 1,020,000, Yugoslavia 6,000.

Other estimates were: Argentina 450,000, China 1,000, Hong Kong 500, India 25,000, Japan 600, Pakistan 450, Singapore 1,000, Egypt 25,000, Rhodesia Northern and Southern 2,100, South Africa 120,000.

The report said in a sidelight that the Jewish population of Ethiopia was 28,100. Of these 25,000 were Falashas or black Jews who claimed descent from the Queen of Sheba and the remaining 100 constituted the community of Addis Ababa, the capital.

48 BOY SCOUTS OUT ON BAIL

ACRE, Saturday. — The 48 Dir el Assad Arab Boy Scouts who were detained last week on charges of holding military exercises illegally, were released under IL.40,000 bail yesterday evening.

Some of the bail money was advanced by village notables. No date for their trial by a Military Court has yet been set.

Next President Should Continue M.E. Aid—Truman

WASHINGTON, Saturday. — President Truman yesterday declared "I hope that whoever follows me in the Presidency will continue to give our country's fullest support to our Technical Assistance programme, not only in Israel, but throughout the entire Near East.

"Peace between Israel and the Arab states has been an important objective of our Near Eastern policy."

The speech was read for the President before the National Jewish Welfare Board "mobilization conference" here yesterday.

"Israel's President is an old and dear friend of mine. I was delighted to receive President Weizmann at Blair House and looked with joy at the thousands of Americans who passed by during his visit and gazed at our two flags flowing side-by-side."

The President also condemned the "anti-Jewish and anti-Catholic provisions of the Displaced Persons Bill which, he said, "added up to the philosophy of racial superiority developed by the Nazis."

He claimed that Mr. Eisenhower "is willing to accept the very practices that identified the 'master race' although he took a leading part in liberating Europe from their domination."

Republican leaders today enlisted the support of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver to repudiate President Truman's charges of anti-Jewish discrimination by their party. After conferring for nearly an hour with Mr. Eisenhower and Governor Dewey today in New York, Rabbi Silver told reporters of his "feeling of shock that there had been an irresponsible statement of a character such as reported in the press is having been made by the President." (Reuter, UP)

Stalin Heads USSR Party Presidium

MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuter). — The Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party has formed a Presidium of 25 members and 11 alternates to replace the Politburo, it was announced today. Marshal Joseph Stalin heads the Presidium.

Among its full members are Messrs. Vyacheslav Molotov, G.M. Malenkov, L.P. Beria, Marshal K.E. Voroshilov, L.M. Kaganovitch, N.S. Khrushchev, A. Mikyoan, Marshal L.M. Bulganian and N.M. Shvernik. Mr. A.N. Kozygin was elected a candidate or alternate member.

The Central Committee also selected a 10-man Secretariat headed by Marshal Stalin. Mr. Malenkov and Mr. Khrushchev were also among its members.

No mention was made of the election of Mr. A. A. Andreyev, Politburo member who was reported to have fallen from grace because of his farm policy.

In addition to 13 members of the old Politburo now elected to the Presidium, the remaining full members of the new body are: V. M. Andrianov, First Secretary of the Leningrad Obkom (district); A. B. Aristov of Chelyabinsk; N. G. Ignatyev of the Moscow Communist Party organization; D. S. Koslichenko, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Ukraine; V. Kuznetsov, head of the Central Council of Soviet Trade Unions; O. V. Kuusinen, Karelo-Finnish leader; V. R. Malyshev, Deputy Premier and Minister of Shipbuilding; L. G. Mainikov, First Secretary of the Communist Party of the Ukraine; Mr. M. A. Mikhailov, Secretary General of the Young Communist League — Komsomol; Mr. M. G. Pervukhin, Deputy Premier; P.K. Ponomarenko, Minister for Agricultural Supplies and the leader of the old Central Committee staff; P. Satunov, Chairman of the State Planning Commission; M. A. Suslov, old Central Committee propaganda chief; D. I. Chesnokov, leading party philosopher, and M. F. Shkiryatov, Vice-Chairman of the old Party Control Commission.

The 11 candidate members of the Presidium are: L. I. Brezhnev, First Secretary of the Communist Party of Moldavia; Andrei Vyshinsky, Minister of Foreign Affairs; A. V. Kuzyaev, Minister of Finance; N. G. Ignatov, Secretary of the Krasnodar party organization; A. N. Kosygin, Deputy Premier and Minister of Light Industry; M. S. Pasolichev, First Secretary of the Communist Party of Byelorussia; L. F. Tevosyan, Deputy Premier and Minister of Ferrous Metallurgy; P. F. Yudin, Communist Party ideologist; G. Kabanov; N. M. Pegov and A. N. Poranov.

Fifteen of the full members of the Presidium who were not on the old Politburo are relatively young men of the post-revolutionary generation who have risen to prominence in the last decade or so.

They include the youth leader, Mr. Alikhelov, trade union leader Mr. Kuznetsov, and Central Committee men, Messrs. Ignatov and Pervukhin, the latter was wartime Premier of the Byelorussian Republic and leader of the Republic's partisans.

Gov't Intends to Give Eilath Town Status

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Ministry of the Interior is now planning to confer Municipal status on Eilath, Mr. Moshe Shapiro, Minister of the Interior, said yesterday, at the first meeting of the 1953-53 season of weekly luncheons of the Commercial and Industrial Club here.

Describing the work of his Ministry, Mr. Shapiro said that it was intended to expand the network of local Government to cover all villages and settlement points. The Minister said that he was in favour of a more liberal policy for exit permits, but pointed to the present financial position which did not permit the abolition of the exit visa system. The figure of 25,000 persons who had "opted out" of Israel citizenship he regarded as "relatively small."

Mr. Shapiro appealed for a more positive attitude towards the state as a whole. "governments come and governments go, but the State remains forever," he said.

Dutch Port Expert Resigns as Adviser

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Dr. I. Fleischauer, the Dutch port expert, has resigned as the Ministry of Communication's adviser on Haifa Port development, it was learned in Jerusalem on Friday.

It is believed that his resignation resulted over differences with the Ministry.

As late as Friday, the Ministry denied that he intended to resign, and only when it was known that Dr. Fleischauer was due to leave this week, did a Ministry spokesman say that "Dr. Fleischauer has asked Mr. Ze'ev Shind, Acting Director General of the Ministry, to release him from his post due to ill health." He added that during his stay in Israel, the expert "was ill and must return to Holland for medical treatment."

Queried on his resignation, Dr. Fleischauer, who until recently had refused to see the press in his office, declared that "it was agreed" between him and the Government not to talk to journalists. "What I have to say, will be told to the Government," he added.

He was invited half a year ago by the late Minister of Communications, Mr. D. Z. Pinkas, to study the situation in Haifa Port and to prepare plans for its long-term development and to increase efficiency. He was to stay in Israel a year.

After the death of Mr. Pinkas, it was repeatedly reported that Dr. Fleischauer's difficulties in obtaining proper conditions for work and for assistance had increased. It was learned that he outlined his complaints in a letter to the Prime Minister, who is Acting Minister of Communications.

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Cables in Brief

BELFAST. — Monsignor Laurence Ronald, Catholic Bishop elect of Hong Kong, held a Catholic service of Benediction there on Friday, a few hours after Chinese Communists released him from 11½ months of house arrest in Wenchow, Kwangsi province.

EXPELLED. — A French Communist, M. Tanguelle, M.P., has been expelled from the party for giving information to the police, the Communist weekly "Peuple Nouveau" announced in Paris on Friday.

PROTEST. — Ireland has told Britain that the conclusion of the Ireland agreement between workers must be considered an "unfriendly act" which would seriously affect a considerable part of the Icelandic population.

GREYFRIARS. — Princess Margaret, sister of Queen Elizabeth, shook hands with Charlie Chaplin on Friday when he was the "Lord Provost" who gave the world premiere in the Scottish district Odeon Theatre in London. She congratulated him as a "lively lass."

DEMONSTRATION. — Troops and tanks were called out in Djakarta, Indonesia, on Friday when thousands of demonstrators poured through the streets with banners demanding the dissolution of Parliament. The crowd finally assembled outside the Presidential Palace where it was addressed by a 30-minute speech by President Soekarno.

VOLCANO. — A four and a half metre high volcano rose overnight recently, accompanied by "thunderous" underground rumblings, in the middle of a river in Mindanao in the Moro Island in the southern Philippines.

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EGYPTIAN PATTERNS

THE patterns of Egypt's new society are slowly beginning to emerge after its revolution. The demand has now grown that the monarchy be abolished altogether following charges that Farouk was involved in two political murders early this year. Nationalist and Moslem Brotherhood papers link the monarchy with foreign denomination and demand its abolition. Meanwhile a committee headed by the Minister of the Interior is sitting in secret session to decide on the applications of the 16 parties for recognition. Nagib has made it clear that the former kaleidoscopic pattern of Egyptian party struggle will not be permitted, though his methods for preventing this have not yet been fully expounded. In any case, it appears that one of the 16, the Nationalist Party led from behind the scenes by Minister of State Fathi Radwan, is to be a Government Party.

All 16 groups have the same programme, social-democracy, but in Egyptian politics, programmes and policies have notoriously little in common. They are a mixed bag; three out of the 16 are suffragette parties, divided — as most of the others — only by personal differences and jealousies among their leaders.

Ahmed Hussein, the fascist leader, has applied from prison for permission to organize his "Socialist Party," but since his main political stock-in-trade — mob-violence and student agitation — are outlawed by the new regime, it is believed that he will seek the patronage of his erstwhile lieutenant, Fathi Radwan. Another extremist group, with little prospects of gaining a mass following, is E-Ramli's "Democratic Party," which favours the establishment of a People's Democracy in Egypt. E-Ramli is a social reformer who has written interesting works on Egypt's social problems, and has also had the courage to call for peace with Israel. Since the "purge" and the land reform, however, his group is faced with the choice of either tagging along with Nagib, or of becoming a "front" for the Communists, who have no legal organization of their own.

All the old parties have registered, the Wafd, the Hotla, Labour and the Liberals, but they seem to be overshadowed by Radwan's "Nationalist Party." Although it claims organizational continuity dating back to 1908, when they were founded by the father of modern Egyptian nationalism, Mustafa Kamel Pasha, they are now a very modern party indeed. Radwan has served his apprenticeship in many movements; graduating from the turbulent student movement of the early thirties, he collaborated with Ahmed Hussein in the "Greenshirts" at a time when fascism was becoming the fashion. When he was released in 1944 from the internment camp where he had been sent for his Axis sympathies, he began to take an active interest in the Communist world, and as Vice-President of the "Partisans of Peace" was invited to congresses in Eastern Europe. Being an observant man, he did not fail to appreciate and note the new techniques in use there. Gaoled after last January's "Black Saturday," Fathi was released by Nagib and shortly afterwards became his adviser and chief executive for propaganda. The Nationalist Party appears to be Nagib's answer to the Wafd: a recent anti-Nahas meeting in Cairo mobilized over ten thousand young people.

By use of the mass appeal technique, by offering not only jobs but some sense of service to the frustrated intellectuals, by sheer momentum as well as by the judicious use of the Ministry of the Interior (which puts on military force), the Nationalists are attempting to gain unchallenged control of political life, and feel they can afford to allow the other 15 parties to drag on for the sake of democratic appearances.

FINNISH PREMIER QUITS OVER RENTS

HELSINKI, Saturday (Reuter). — The Finnish Prime Minister, Urho Kekkonen (Agrarian), yesterday handed his government's resignation to President Paasikivi. This followed the resignation earlier in the day of the Social Democrat members of the coalition.

Differences had arisen within the coalition over proposed increases in rents.

PEKING CONFERENCE EMPHASIZES ASIAN AMBITIONS

The Meaning of Maoism

By O.M. GREEN

Leaders of delegations on the Presidium at the Peking Peace Conference. At right is the famous Picasso Dove. Reinhua Photo (Peking)

IN a broadcast on May Day, 1949, when the Communist conquest of China was virtually complete, Mao Tse-tung emphasized that the Red revolution was not limited to China, but must ultimately proceed to "the liberation of the 1,000 million suffering peoples of Asia." These words should be remembered today, when the great conference in Peking of 1,300 delegates from 31 States, assembled by China to launch a "peace campaign" in Asian and Pacific territories, has just closed.

Apart from set speeches dilating on the horrors of war and America's wickedness, Peking Radio said little about the course of discussions. The only guidance to what went on was the list of five "demands" set before the delegates on the opening day—for peace with Japan, peace in Korea, a Five-Power peace pact (including the United States), guarantees for the national independence of all peoples and "the banning of the clamour for war and propaganda inciting racial hatred."

Immense Expense

It is absurd to suppose that Peking would have gone to the immense trouble and expense involved — an eight-story luxury hostel, built to house the delegates, a vast conference hall for their discussions, and the printing of special stamps showing Picasso's peace dove—merely to obtain endorsement from the delegates of such well-worn demands. For the true motive we must look back to Mao Tse-tung's statement in 1949 and, beneath the Communist cant in which it is framed, to the ambition to dominate her neighbours which runs through all China's history.

The plan for the Peking conference grew out of the second session of the World Peace Council last November. In March, invitations were sent out from Peking to "all noted peace-fighters in Asia and Pacific territories" for a conference to plan the campaign. In June, delegates from 21 countries, including a few Pacific States, met in Peking. But the accent throughout was on Asia; the daily proceedings were broadcast in eight or nine Asiatic languages, and in all the principal ones of India. Since then Peking Radio's exuberant descriptions of the eager preparations of Asian peace-lovers for the campaign were exceeded in intensity only by its exploitation of "germ warfare."

Today, for the first time since the Emperor Ch'ien Lung in the eighteenth century, the Chinese have in Mao Tse-tung a leader whose restless imagination, energy, and political cunning revive the old dreams of conquest. And, through the peace campaign, with no risk of war or cost to themselves, but by making others do the dirty work for them, they see an unrivalled means of spreading disorder and chaos and eventually imposing their hegemony on Asia in the guise of liberation.

Asians First

Probably the Chinese Communists care little about Europe, though from time to time they send a conventional message of sympathy or encouragement to a European comrade. They, and especially Mao Tse-tung, are Chinese first and Asians next. And if, as is generally held, they came off badly in the Moscow conference, where Chou En-lai, the Premier, was obliged to write that humiliating request to Russia to leave her troops in Port Arthur, they are probably all the keener to have their revenge by proving to Russia that Asia is their province, not hers.

That the Kremlin is worried by the independence of Mao Tse-tung, and by the different pattern which Communism in China is developing under his guidance, was plainly shown at a meeting of the Moscow Institute of Oriental Studies a year ago, when Zhukov, the chief Russian delegate, declared that the Chinese revolution must not be regarded as a fetish equally applicable to all countries of Asia.

Mao Tse-tung

From the beginning of his career Mao Tse-tung has taken his own line. For eight years after 1927, when General Chiang Kai-shek broke with the Communists and expelled Russia's agents, Mao was in open conflict with the official Chinese "C.P.", and with the line prescribed by the Comintern that successful revolution could be achieved only through the urban proletariat. Mao based all his trust on the peasants, and proved it by his success in building the first Chinese Soviet Republic first in south-west, then in north-west China. It was not till 1936 that he was elected Chairman of the "C.P.", and not till some time later that Moscow gave him a grudging benediction.

Further Than Stalin

Today Mao's followers say that he had never read any of Stalin's works till 1942, when he found that he had not only reached the same conclusions but had gone still further. The debt to Marxism-Leninism is acknowledged, but the Chinese creed now, founded on Chairman Mao's teachings, is Maoism. Russia's assistance is praised in the newspapers. But the phrase "Stalin, our great leader" is used no more. In public processions, Stalin's portrait is no longer carried beside Mao's, but some distance behind it. Mao is indeed elevated to equal rank with Lenin and Stalin, and both he and China are too big to be called to heel by the Kremlin like a European satellite.

All this is not to predict any breach between Russia and China; in the present state of world politics they are too necessary to each other for that. But as the development of Communist organization in each is bound to differ in accordance with the racial characteristics of each, there will be internal stresses which China's cold war in Asia can hardly lighten. History may well look back on the Peking peace conference as a turning-point in International Communism.

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SOVIET AIMS AT DIVIDING WESTERN NATIONS

Racial, Colonial Problems at U.N.

By KENNETH HARRIS

WASHINGTON

UNOFFICIAL reports have reached Washington that during the new session of the United Nations General Assembly, the Soviet Union intends taking an active part in discussions of all items relating to South Africa.

The aim would be to capitalize on what is estimated to be an unprecedented concern among the bulk of members of the United Nations at the lack of leadership which the Western Powers display in the field of racial and colonial questions.

These unofficial reports fit in with a very tentative estimate which the American Government has made of what the Soviet policy will be at the Assembly, which opened in New York on Tuesday.

Soviet Plan

This estimate is that, having been frustrated in its attempt to extend its power by open aggression and seeing that through the growth of its economic and military defences, the free world is unlikely to collapse according to plan, Soviet Union foreign policy may now concentrate on breaking down the unity of the free nations by injecting into the United Nations at every opportunity those racial and colonial problems on which the leading Western Powers do not see quite eye to eye. It is generally felt in official circles here that the friction which might be developed between the Western Powers and the Arab-Asian bloc in the United Nations on these problems, unless great statesmanship is displayed all round, constitutes a danger to the free world which could be greater than any military or economic contingency that can reasonably be contemplated.

Principle and Expediency

At this time these views are being communicated by the American Government to some of its major allies who have a special interest in racial and colonial questions coming up or not coming up at the United Nations. These allies are also being apprised of the United States view that if their tentative estimate of the Soviet Union's tactics is correct, principle and expediency should go together at the next session of the United Nations. If the Western Powers support the demand for discussion of all colonial and racial questions on the agenda or if they oppose the demand to abide by the will of the majority without walking out, the Soviet Union may be able to say that the United Nations has failed to solve the problems, but it will be unable to say that the Western Powers tried to blackmail the United Nations into refusing to discuss them.

French Threat

A case to which this view particularly applies is the Tunisian problem. French officials here still say that the French delegates will walk out of the Assembly when the Tunisian and Moroccan questions come up for debate.

The American view, which has been communicated to the French and which some people here still insist is the real cause of the friction which developed between the French and American Governments, is as follows: the Tunisian question must be discussed before the United Nations, and in any event since the French have a much better case than is generally known, they should be glad to air it.

(OPNE).

Readers' Letters

BLOOD SERVICE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—Refering to F.S.'s letter on "Urgent Blood Donations" in your issue of Sept. 12, and the replies from Dr. Mann and Dr. Kott, we would like to point out, that there is, even today under the prevailing blood situation, still a possibility of getting blood for transfusion purposes, without payment and in sufficient quantities. The "Blood Transfusion Service" (c/o M.D.A., 13 Rehov Mane, room 17) is an organisation of voluntary blood donors, who are ready and willing to donate blood whenever and wherever needed, without charge, but only on a physician's written request.

Yours etc.,
M. LURIA
Manager Blood Transfusion Service c/o Magen David Adom
Tel Aviv, October 10.

AVAILABLE

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — The public statement of the Hayama Workers Committee with regard to ship repairs, published in your issue of October 6, alleged inter-alia that the National Committee of Metal Workers informed the Hayama Workers Committee that they were unable to bring about a change in the situation, as far as Shoham was concerned, because most of the members of the Shoham Board were abroad.

I would like to point out that during the past two months no communication on this matter has been addressed to me as the company director, from the Hayama Workers Committee or any other institution. I have been in the country all this time.

Yours etc.,
EVI YICHIELI
Director
Shoham Shevuty Hayam Ltd.
Tel Aviv, October 9.

WOMEN RESERVISTS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — I suggest that if childless married women cannot be altogether exempted from service in the Reserves, it should at least be arranged for them to be posted somewhere very near their homes, even if this means a transfer to another service, in order to enable them to return home every evening.

At present there are many cases of married women having to serve 30-37 days in camps far from their homes, from where they are either unable to return at all in the evenings, (except for weekends), due to lack of transport, or are forced to return by bus at their own expense and have difficulties in reaching camp on time in the mornings.

Yours etc.,
A. K.
Tel Aviv, October 12.

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Men and Things

WHEN an American film company presents a story from the Old Testament, it brings astonishing events into a setting of wildest improbability. Those of us who do not deeply understand America may have sometimes thought during the past month or so that a Presidential Election shows more than a touch of biblical M.G.M.

The timely reproduction upon a Million TV screens of a little five dog awoke a vast political response. But in the whole unfolding of bewildering pictures and mammoth personalities there is nothing more arresting than the moment when a senator publishes his income tax return. Does not this act of financial nudism remind us of a political crisis in days long ago, and how it was solved by Lady Godiva?

Of all the work a man does in the course of a year, probably none is tackled with such earnestness, and none brings out his finest brain work, as filling out his I.T. return. It is a job to be given super priority — not, of course, of time; breathless haste would be a poor policy — but priority of care and craftsmanship. Yet when the thing is finished, and its last latent perfection revealed, a man very seldom feels that publication is called for. Only the strongest call of national duty could overcome his deep reticence.

W.H.R.

HAIFA ART NOTES

Watercolours and Drawings

DWITTMANN'S watercolours at Goldman & Neufeld's, Hadar Hacarmel, represent the fruits of a visit to Lake Garda. Like all such work, they are both pleasant and descriptive; yet we miss the objective appreciation which long acquaintance alone can give and which Wittmann displays in his Israel pictures. Sometimes the theme itself may fill the gap, as, for example, the composition afforded by the church tower in "Maderno" (No. 15). Better still, when the artist comes to grips with the locale, as is the case in "Maderno" (No. 13) where reddish quays and buildings harmonise with blue hills and the whole with the sky. Three "Fasano" paintings depict a single corner of Garda but under different weather conditions. "Fasano" (No. 3), placid lake and sky, the centre line of rocks standing out against fainter back-and-fore-grounds, is the best of the trio. The other two are "Lake Garda" (No. 25), a sunset sky reflected in the water, and "Lake Garda Before the Storm" (No. 27), the same scene between grey sky and water. It would have been interesting to see these three watercolours taken beyond the "sketch" stage, even if completed from memory.

S. Bonne is exhibiting oils, watercolours and drawings at the Neve Shaanan Art Studio, Haifa, where he is a student. He has a most sensitive feeling for colour, but he is young. His different styles emanate from at least eight separate sources in both ancient and modern art. The sole bond between all his work, at the moment, lies in a splitting up of the subject and the flat layout of the component parts. A successful example is the watercolour "Oriental Room" (No. 14). Despite his colour sense, Bonne's composition lacks the emphasis and emotional partiality which will give body to his work. That he is capable of further development is proved by the oil "Nude" (No. 2), where he has taken the pose, not from nature but from a statuette (in the Neve Shaanan Museum), and has altered it to suit his purpose. Bonne, an artist who appears to have considerable potentialities, should shun the premature, since he has ample time ahead of him to retire into a few years' hard work; and then have his second exhibition.

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MUSICAL DIARY

THE Y.M.C.A.'s live programme on Wednesday offered a Song and Piano recital. The young Greek singer Zoe Vatikioti (from Haifa) made a most promising debut. It is not so much the volume of her soprano, (which has yet to be developed) as her excellent training and her light coloratura of an unusual purity, which made her singing most attractive in arias by Pergolesi, Rossini and Mozart. Schubert's "Rasendchen" was ethereal and we enjoyed "*Du bist die Ruh.*" Miss Vatikioti's charm came through in Debussy's early "Nuit d'Etoiles" and the bell song from Delibes' "Lakme." Yohanan Zarai was a sensitive accompanist.

Istvan Vero's reading of two sonatas by Scarlatti lacked that essential porcelain-like touch. But in Schumann's Toccata he showed his true musicianship and after Chopin's Fantasy in F minor we felt confirmed in our view that he is one of our most gifted younger pianists. His subtle colouring in two movements from Ravel's "Le Tombeau de Couperin" was outstanding.

FRANCO.

Late Season

THE entertainment season in Israel is making a very slow start this year. Apart from the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra which began its concert-series as usual during the first week of October, no prominent artists or groups, foreign or local, are booked for Israel appearances during October and the first half of November. Some of the concert agencies are more reluctant than ever to engage foreign artists; financial risks are much greater than during last season, particularly because of higher airline fares and lack of money among the public. The return ticket by air for say, an American concert-duo, is about IL.3,000.

Nevertheless, agencies have made contracts with foreign artists and the Ministry of Education has already recommended some to the foreign currency controller. Probably in accordance with the public taste here, the agencies have favoured booking Negro troups or soloists for appearances in Israel. The Ginsburg and Gillon agency engaged the Latin America Ballet and a troup of 30 dancers and singers of Hawaiian and Caribbean folklore (for December) and another famous Negro dance group, the Kathrin Flower Dancers, for appearances early next year. The same agents made contracts for the current season with the pianist William Kapell, Yehudi Menuhin, (who will play here in June), and with the Marina Svedlova ballet group, stars of the New Yorker Metropolitain and the City Centre Opera.

The Parnassus agency has booked the Negro singer Annabelle Davies for a concert tour next month.

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